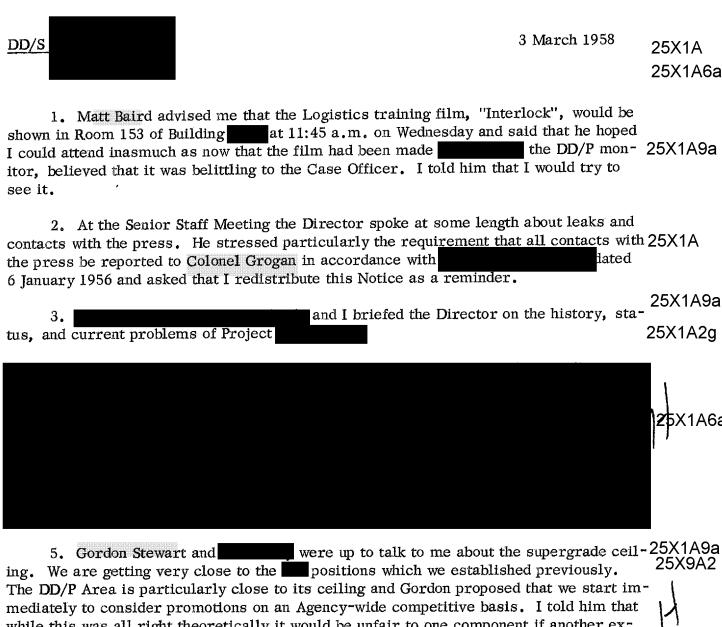
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mediately to consider promotions on an Agency-wide competitive basis. I told him that while this was all right theoretically it would be unfair to one component if another exceeded its ceiling and thereby blocked the first component from filling its authorized supergrade positions when it had someone ready to promote to them. I asked that he study the matter further before presenting it to the Supergrade Review Board and in this connection to come up with statistics on attrition in the various components and give some thought to what we were going to do when senior people who have been chiefs of station abroad return to headquarters.